



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

**JUL 08 2013**

Nancy H. Watkins, Treasurer  
Bachmann for President  
P.O. Box 251310  
Woodbury, MN 251310

Re: Pre-MUR 560

Dear Ms. Watkins:

The Federal Election Commission ("Commission") is the regulatory agency that administers and enforces the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"). In the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities, it has come to the attention of the Commission that Bachmann for President and you, in your official capacity as treasurer ("Committee"), and in your individual capacity, may have violated the Act and Commission regulations, including, but not limited to, 2 U.S.C. § 434(b).

The Commission's Office of General Counsel is reviewing this matter for possible enforcement action under 2 U.S.C. § 437g, for failing to accurately disclose payments by the Committee to Iowa State Senator Kent Sorenson for services to support Representative Bachmann's campaign. Specifically, the Committee may have allegedly concealed the nature of its arrangement with Senator Sorenson by filing false and/or misleading disclosure reports with the Commission, which reflected other vendors used for services to the Committee, such as C&M Strategies. As a consequence, the Committee and you may have violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(b), and other provisions of the Act and Commission regulations, by inaccurately reporting the Committee's receipts and disbursements.

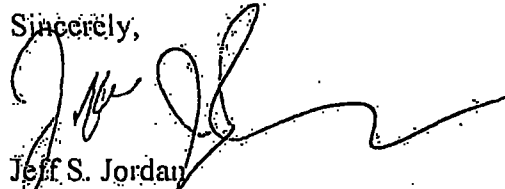
The Commission's Office of General Counsel is reviewing this information in connection with making a recommendation to the Commission as to whether there is reason to believe that the Committee and you, in your official and individual capacity as treasurer, violated the Act, an initial determination necessary to initiate an investigation into whether a violation has, in fact, occurred. *See* 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). Before the General Counsel makes such a recommendation, you may provide in writing any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to this matter, including any related documents. Your submission, if you choose to make one, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter and addressed to the General Counsel's Office. Subsequently, the General Counsel's Office will present its recommendations to the Commission. Any response submitted by you will be taken into account in these recommendations. The Commission will then consider the recommendations

and, if the Commission finds that there is reason to believe the Committee and you, in your official and individual capacity as treasurer, violated the Act, initiate an enforcement matter.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. §§ 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. If you intend to be represented by legal counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Rawls at (202) 694-1650 or toll free at (800) 424-9530.

Sincerely,



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